

City of Rockville Dog Park Opening In April 2007

(Please Complete Enclosed Form)

The enclosed Liability and Risk Release form is an invitation to join the new City of Rockville's dog park at King Farm, which will open in April 2007. The park is located in the newly constructed Mattie J. T. Stepanek Park, along Pleasant Drive at Piccard Drive. The park is free to Rockville residents, but you must complete and return the enclosed form to be eligible to use the dog park.

The new park consists of two fenced-in dog run areas, one for small dogs and one for large dogs. Amenities include a parking area with 40 spaces, fenced-in areas to securely unleash your dog and to prevent escape, a 20- by 20-foot shade shelter spanning both the large and small dog areas, drinking fountains for people and dogs, benches and picnic tables.

As a resident of Rockville and a licensed dog owner, reading, signing and returning the enclosed Liability and Risk Release form will give you the necessary permission to use the dog park free of charge. Non-residents and unlicensed dogs and their owners will not be permitted to use the dog park. Please keep a copy of the form and return the self-addressed original to:

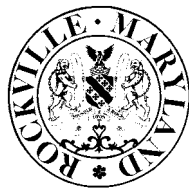
City of Rockville
Dog Park
Neighborhood Services
111 Maryland Avenue
Rockville, Maryland 20850

The Rockville Dog Owners Group (RDOG) is a community organization that has been involved with the dog park design, location, establishment of policies and procedures, and will serve as a future advisory committee to daily park functions. Compliance with rules and regulations will be essential to the success of the park. When the park opens in April, RDOG will help to monitor the park and ensure that dog owners observe the rules and regulations.

The City's Recreation and Parks Department and RDOG are beginning to plan a grand opening for the park. If you are interested in joining this group, e-mail or call Jill Barsky at jillbarsky@aol.com or 301-651-7781.

If you have any questions, please call Mark Kibiloski at 240-314-8704.

Thank you.



City of Rockville

**DOG RULES AND COMPLIANCE
PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT AND ASSUMPTION OF RISK AND LIABILITY RELEASE**

Dog Park Rules

- This dog park is for the use and enjoyment of Rockville City residents only. Use of this park is at the user's own risk.
- All users must have a signed Dog Park Rules Compliance and Release form on file with the Rockville City Police Department, Neighborhood Services Division. Forms are available at the park or at the Rockville City Police Department, Neighborhood Services Division, 111 Maryland Avenue.
- All dogs must be currently licensed with the Rockville City Police Department, Neighborhood Services Division.
- No guard or attack dog or any dog found to be dangerous or potentially dangerous, as determined by the City of Rockville or other jurisdiction, is allowed in the park at any time.
- Dog park hours of operation are dawn to dusk.
- Owners are legally responsible for the behavior of their dogs.
- Owners must remain in the dog park at all times and keep their dog under control.
- A parent or guardian must accompany children under the age of 16.
- Dogs must be leashed when outside of the dog park.
- No more than two (2) dogs per family are allowed in the dog park at any one time.
- Puppies in the park must be older than four (4) months.
- Dogs in heat are not allowed in the park.
- Owners must clean up and dispose of feces left by their dogs. Bags and trashcans are available on the premises.
- No smoking, food or dog treats are allowed in the dog park.
- Dogs that bark excessively or dig are prohibited.
- No professional dog training is allowed in the park unless approved by Rockville City's park managers.
- Violators of these rules are subject to removal from the dog park, suspension of dog park privileges and /or issuance of civil citations and fines.

To Contact City Park Staff, call 240-314-8700 – For Dog Bites ONLY, call Neighbor Services at 240-314-8900

I Understand That: Permission from the City to use the Dog Park is conditional on compliance with the above dog park rule.

I Also Understand and Agree That: The purpose of the dog park is to provide a fenced-in area where dog owners may bring their dogs and permit them to run freely with other dogs, and that unleashing my dog(s) and being present in an area where there are other people, including children, and other unleashed dogs, poses risks to others and myself and to my dog(s) and the dogs and property of dogs, and I do hereby agree to assume such risks.

I Further Agree To: Release, discharge, hold harmless and indemnify the City of Rockville and all of its officials, agents, officers, employees and representatives from liability for any and all claims for injuries, damages and/or losses whatsoever to any person or animal (including, but not limited to disability and death) or property which may arise out of, result from or be associated with the use of or presence on the dog park by myself and/or my dog(s).

NAME OF DOG OWNER: _____

ADDRESS: _____

TELEPHONE NUMBER: _____ **E-MAIL ADDRESS:** _____

NAME OF DOG(S): _____

DATE OF VACCINATION EXPIRATION(S): _____

Owner's Signature (print and sign)

Date